

November 19, 1962

MEMORANDUM OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE  
NSC ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1962, AT 2:30 P.M.; THE  
PRESIDENT NOT PRESENT.

The meeting involved a discussion of statement to be made by the President at his press conference on Tuesday. Decision that the statement should be a strong and positive one, but could not be finally concluded until answers had been received from Soviet Union concerning the IL 28 question.

Question arose as to low-level flying on Sunday; McNamara was opposed, stating that there were no targets which demanded immediate surveillance and he preferred to depend on high-level flying. McCone, Bundy and Thompson advocated flying on Sunday could be on targets which were reasonably safe, and avoiding targets with a high level of danger. Decision was made not to fly.

John A. McCone  
Director

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